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SPORT

NEWS and COMMENT

that they have offered thirty-one gold Cobb, for the first time since 1907, arms, and the game next week should the National Lawn Tennis Associamedals valued at \$510 which have will be forced to yield the batting be worth seeing even if the two clubs tion did not recognize it in official honors of the American League. With are fighting for the cellar instead of competition until 1910. It was in this only about 30 games yet to be played the pennant. Speaker has a 35-point lead and shows no signs of slumping,

The unofficial averages of the three leaders, including the games of Friday, August 25, follow:

Speaker, Cleveland 421 164 .390 Cobb. Detroit 406 144 .355 Jackson, Chicago 463 162 .350

playing his first full season in the other Coast teams. majors, is one of the contestants.

AB. H. BA. Daubert, Brooklyn 375 122 .325 Hornsby, St. Louis 409 132 .323

Westminister and Central will not play their annual Thanksgiving foothall game in Columbia this year, Central College had their choice of Fayette or Columbia and they decided to stay at home. The game was played last year on Thanksgiving morning as a curtain raiser to Tiger-Jayhawker game in the afternoon.

Dutch Leonard, Boston's maintsay in the box, has been hit hard on his last four appearances and has had to retire each time. But even this does not seem to stop the Red Sox, for Mays, Shore and Ruth are doing great ork on the mound.

Even the Cardinals won five straight last week. There must be something in that St. Louis air-that affects the other team.

Ty Cobb may not lead the American League in batting again this year, but he's still the greatest ever. He scored from first on a single the other day while the third baseman held the ball.

The Cubs seem to be having a hard time disposing of Heine Zimmerman. the hard-hitting and slow-thinking Dutchman. He hits around .300 and ium is said to essay about 90 per cent

The Giants went 39 innings against out above the others, the Cubs, Cards and Pirates without The Japanese player, Kumagae, has ing the flying Brooklynites.

Christy Mathewson and Miner Brown Meet Again.

meet at Chicago on September 4, but tournaments of the year. the chances are that they will have The luck of the draw will figure game for his team-no mean attrac- fin to beat to get in the finals, while tion in itself-but the fact that his in the other half are crowded most opponent will be Mordecai Brown of the ranking players of this coun-

an in Chicago. In the good old days of the prem-

lowly Reds a month or two ago. But both of these men, though well past the age limit for pitching serv-

Eddie Mahan, former star backfield greatest football men ever turned out is about through looking for short-Pennsylvania. This is the second year ment Tinker has made this season, of the return to American football for The race for the leadership in the this Western institution and they are National League is much closer and making strenuous efforts to bring here young Roger Hornsby, who is their eleven up to the standard of

THE PLAYER'S LOVE SONNET

By W. A. PHELON. I seen her. Sitting in a field-box, and She smiled at me, and waved her little And—say—there come right then and there a biff there a biff Against my heart, that felt exact as if Rig Johnson, throwing everything, his

Had glommed me good and plenty on And the whole makeup threw me in a That smile, them cherry lips, those

I nin't no busher nor no boob. You

But I seen Her, and, sure as you are She got my goat and broke off every My heart just uttered-then I looked

I got it fixed! I'm going to meet her-

The National Tennis

Tourney Starts Tomorrow.

bunch that were talking of overhaul- beaten by all the ranking players at His fork-hand style of throwing the different times, his victory over national champion Johnston in the Longwood tournament last week made him look dangerous, McLoughlin, The Cubs and the Reds may not be too, is an uncertain quantity, as he scrapping for the pennant when they has not appeared in any of the big

one of the largest crowds of the sea- largely in the play this coming week. son. On this day Manager Mathew- In one half R. Norris Williams has Grinding, Drilling, Repairing. Exson of Cincinnati will pitch his first only Wallace Johnson and C. Grifshould be enough to bring out every try as well as Kumagae and other foreign stars.

R. L. Murray, McLoughlin and iership of Chicago, New York and Johnston, all from California; Throck-Pittsburg in the old league, duels be- ton, the boy wonder; Behr. Pell and tween these two pitching masters Niles, respectively fourth, fifth and were always the features of the Cub- sixth in the rankings; and Washburn Giant games. Three-fingered Brown and Armstrong, all dangerous men, with Chance's Peerless Cubs behind are to be found on the lower side of him won the majority of these con- the draw. Roberts, Mathey, Church tests, most of the time by 2 to 1 or and Larned are also to be found in 1 to 0 scores, but in recent years this half and may make trouble for Brown, overworked in the attempt to some of the others. None of these bring more pennants to Chicago, has men meet in the first round, but the gone back, while Big Six kept on second round will see the beginning turning in victories for the Giants of the lively scrap to see who shall until he was made manager of the meet Williams or some other man in the finals.

Walter Hayes of Chicago, who was ice in the major leagues, have some defeated in straight sets by Jack Can-

tournament, was the first national clay court tennis champion of the United States. Despite the greater It is beginning to look as if Ty good games left in their good right popularity of the hard surface game, year at Omaha, that the young Chicago player defeated all comers.

man for Harvard and one of the Joe Tinker, manager of the Cubs, at that school, has taken charge of stops. Tinker declared a few days the backfield squad at the University ago he is thinking seriously of getof California. He is first assistant to ting back into the game himself. This Head Coach Andy Smith, formerly of is about the third similar announce-

> Bill Donovan has accomplished wonders with the Yankees. He is certain to be retained for next year.

> James C. Dunn, president of the Cleveland Club, says he will pay \$50,-000 for another ball player next win-

White Sox fans see little hope for Ted Jourdan, first basemen purchased from the St. Joseph Western League Club. Jack Ness and Jacques Fournier have been doing great work for the Comiskey clan.

Earl Yingling, a former left hand hurler with Brooklyn, will have a chance in the American League. The I sin't no Yannigan—I am a Vet
Of six years' service. I would like to Senators have taken him from Min-The buy that's fit to grab my goat neapolis. He is quite a hitter as well as a heady, dependable pitcher.

By HAMILTON

(United Press Staff Correspondent) St. Louis, besides being the alleged Fumbled one ball and booted two hottest place in the world where they play baseball, can claim one more I struck out twice, and yet I wasn't distinction. Included in the ranks of For I could see her sweet face looking her two major league baseball clubs Yep, she was sorry for me-and, you are two of the games most brilliant know, Pity's next thing to love-now, aln't and versatile performers, it so?

With George Sisler outclassing all rivals as a utility man in the Ameri-I ain't plumb headed for no padded can League, his fellow citizen, Roger But, say, I'm nervous-say, it seems Hornsby of the Cardinals, leads all That in her league I but one thirty- opposition in the National organiza-

Hornsby, who is playing his first year as a big leaguer, has played all Of more than usual interest to fol- four positions in the infield and has lowers of the net game is the tour- done mighty well at it. Of late he nament for the national tennis has been playing around first base, championship, which opens at Forest but he has done most of his playing can play ball at times, but his cranhas been a great season for upsets a catcher, too, but so far there has with no one or two players standing been no need for him to don pad and mask.

Sisler, besides being a star perscoring last week, which is pretty been largely responsible for upsetting former at first base, is a great out-close to the record. And this was the dope, for, although he has been delder, and can pitch a bangup game.

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non Thursday in the Missouri Valley ball handicaps him some as an out- played a minor league game. He is fielder, but a short time ago he went to third when Jimmy Austin was laid up and turned in a perfect fielding day. Sisler, a college product, never

spending his second season in the big

Each of these stars is a batter of no (Continued on page nine.)

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